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SUBJECT: G-77 HAPPENINGS MEXICO CITY

1. NEW SECRETARIATS: THE MEXICANS PROPOSED THE CREATION OF A PERMANENT CIEC SECRETARIAT. CUBA, VENEZUELA, YUGOSLAVIA, UGANDA AND SOUTH KOREA ALL OPPOSED. SANTOS (CUBA) SET FORTH OPPOSITION VIEWS AS BASED ON THE BELIEF THAT THE CREATION OF ANOTHER NEW INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATION WOULD ONLY COMPLICATE COORDINATION AND ADD TO THE INTERNATIONAL BUREAUCRACY.

2. G-77 PROGRESS: MAJOR DIFFERENCES BETWEEN THE NON-ALIGNED AND G-77 MEMBERS NOT PART OF THE NON-ALIGNED CONTINUE TO DOMINATE THE CONFERENCE. THIS ALONG WITH THE VERY POOR - RELATIVELY RICH SPLIT HAS HAMPERED APPARENT PROGRESS ON REACHING AGREEMENT ON CONCRETE MEASURES. SOME AREAS WHERE DISCUSSIONS MAY RESULT IN TANGIBLE MEASURES FOR CONFERENCE ADOPTION INCLUDE:

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A. COMPLEMENTARY PRODUCTION OF HIGH PROTEIN FOODS;

B. AN INFORMATION SYSTEM BETWEEN DEVELOPING COUNTRIES.
C. AGREEMENT ON MARITIME TRANSPORT SYSTEMS.

3. MONETARY REFORM: ESHARAGHI (IRAN) SPOKE OF THE NEED FOR MONETARY REFORM (COUNTERVAILING CURRENCY) TO PROTECT THIRD WORLD COUNTRIES FROM THE WHIPLASH OF DEVALUATIONS AND INFLATION WHICH TOGETHER STEADILY REDUCE THE REAL VALUE OF THIRD WORLD RESERVES. WHILE THE JURY IS STILL OUT, IT WOULD NOT SEEM AS IF SIGNIFICANT PROGRESS WILL BE MADE IN THE REMAINING DAYS OF THE CONFERENCE ON THIS ITEM.

4. BILATERALS:

A. THE LIVELIEST EXCHANGE IN PLENARY TO DATE HAS BEEN BETWEEN THE NORTH AND SOUTH KOREANS, EACH ACCUSING THE OTHER OF SUBVERTING THE CONFERENCE TO ITS OWN POLITICAL ENDS.

B. VIETNAM (NGUYEN GUANG TAO) INDICATED THEY MAY ASK THE UN TO SUPPLY RECONSTRUCTION FUNDS FOR VIETNAMESE WAR DAMAGES. HE ALSO STRESSED GAVITY OF THIRD WORLD DEPENDENCE ON TRADE WITH CAPITALIST COUNTRIES, CITING THIRD WORLD EXTERNAL TRADE FIGURES AS 70 PERCENT (CAPITALISTS) 10 PERCENT (SOCIALISTS) 20 PERCENT (INTER-THIRD WORLD).

5. HIGH POWERED DELS HAVE OR ARE BEGINNING TO LEAVE MEXICO CITY, AN INDICATION THAT THERE ARE NO GREAT EXPECTATIONS FOR MAJOR BREAKTHROUGHS.

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